

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for his thorough examination of the subject application. Upon review of the file after receipt of the Notice of Allowance, we have uncovered that the USPTO has not provided us with the signed PTO-1449A form that accompanied the IDS submission dated April 16, 2007 and acknowledged as received by the USPTO on April 23, 2007. Applicant notes that PAIR identifies that the IDS has already been considered, but Applicant respectfully requests a copy of the PTO-1449A form for our files.

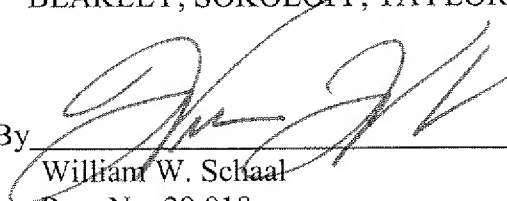
In addition, on or around June 29, 2007, the undersigned attorney discussed the missing dates on IDS submissions with the Examiner. The undersigned attorney asked the Examiner to consider these references as if they were prior art. No admission was made by the undersigned attorney that such references do constitute prior art, but the undersigned counsel explained that such consideration was prudent to ensure a complete examination of the references provided. The Examiner is thanked for his review of the references.

Respectfully submitted,

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Client: SONY ELECTRONICS INC.

Title: Method and Apparatus for Securing Control Words

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